

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strike through~~.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 25, with the following paragraph:

In a variant form of this synchronization algorithm (shown in FIG. 2), the frames of the animation are arranged into groups of contiguous frames. A correspondence is established between each such group of frames and a particular segment of the audio recording (box 200 in FIG. 2). ~~At the end of~~ After each frame of the animation is played (box 205), the audio play position is determined (box 210). A test is done to determine whether the audio play position is within the segment of the recording that corresponds to the group of frames to which the next sequential frame belongs (box 215). If the audio play position is within that segment, the playback of the animation proceeds with that next frame (box 230). If the audio play position is not within that segment, then the playback of the animation is advanced to the frame corresponding to where the audio is (boxes 220 and 225).

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 12, with the following paragraph:

Each user in the chat room is able to control the CD which is playing in his or her machine. Control actions result in the chat plug-in sending messages (box 335) to the chat server which describe the control action being taken (box 325). For example, such messages may indicate a change in the position of the CD, a change in the volume, or the ejection of the CD to replace it with another. The chat plug-ins running on the other users' machines, upon seeing a message of this kind, replicate the action (as far as possible) on the other users' machines by using the control plug-in described above (box 330).